

## **Assembly Bill No. 682**

### **CHAPTER 678**

An act to amend Section 41530 of the Education Code, relating to education finance.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

AB 682, Karnette. Professional development block grant: funding.

Existing law establishes the professional development block grant, which is composed of funding from, and for, specified existing categorical education programs. Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apportion block grant funds to a school district based on the number of certificated teachers employed by the school district in the immediately prior fiscal year.

This bill would instead require the Superintendent to apportion block grant funds to a school district in the same relative statewide proportion that the district received for the component programs in the 2003–04 fiscal year.

Under existing law, a school district is authorized to expend funds pursuant to the professional development block grant, as specified, if the school district provides each teacher of kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 6, inclusive, with opportunities to participate in professional development activities in reading language arts/English language development, if the expenditure meets certain specifications and if the professional development is of a specified level of rigor.

This bill would delete these conditions on the expenditure of those funds.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 41530 of the Education Code is amended to read:

41530. (a) There is hereby established the professional development block grant. Commencing with the 2005–06 fiscal year, the Superintendent shall apportion block grant funds to a school district in the same relative statewide proportion that the school district received in the 2003–04 fiscal year for the programs listed in Section 41531.

(b) A school district may expend funds received pursuant to this article for any purpose authorized by the programs listed in Section 41531, as the statutes governing those programs read on January 1, 2004.

(c) For the purposes of this article, “school district” includes a county office of education if county offices of education are eligible to receive

funds for the programs that are listed in Section 41531. The block grant of a county office of education shall be based only on those programs for which it was eligible to receive funds in the 2003–04 fiscal year.

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